

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
HUMAN SERVICES
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: April 14, 2001

Place: Room 116

Convened: 9:47 a.m. Recessed: Reconvened: Adjourned: 11:52 a.m.

Present: Senators Veenstra-CH, Boettger-VC, Hammond-RM, Harper
Representatives Heaton-CH, Johnson-VC, Osterhaus-RM, Arnold, Foege, Greimann,
Houser, Hoversten, Smith

Absent:

Excused: Senator Redwine

Representative Heaton, Chair, called the meeting to order; roll call was taken; Senator Harper moved for approval of the Minutes from the previous meeting, Senator Boettger seconded, and the Minutes were approved by voice vote.

SPEAKERS:

- Senator King re: Oversight Subcommittee's proposed bill on fraud payment accountability.
- Julie Ingersoll, Department of Human Services (DHS), re: status on billing practices/financial accountability and EBT possibilities.
- Jane M. Watson-Boehmer, private citizen and Co-Chair of the Consumer Advisory Team (established to extend interaction between policymakers and citizens receiving assistance) re: need for changes in the present child care assistance guidelines, targeting problem areas, including Promise Jobs requirements in order to receive assistance.
- Julie Ingersoll, DHS, re: childcare waiting list and eligibility issues.
- Sue Lerdal, Legislative Fiscal Bureau (LFB) re: Minnesota legislation/report.
- Julie Ingersoll, DHS, re:
 - update and challenges with new grant programs funded by the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).
 - Report for possible differential child care subsidy payments.
 - Budget status for childcare subsidy and Governor's recommendation of a supplemental appropriation from TANF funds.).
 - Representative Foege moved to arise, and the meeting was adjourned.

Dave Heaton, House Chair

Jill Beni, House Chair Secretary